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Colorado

EPA: Animas River surface water returning to pre-spill conditions

[http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_28690510/epa-animas-river-surface-water-returning-pre-spill](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_28690510/epa-animas-river-surface-water-returning-pre-spill)

Gold King Mine: EPA was told of blowout danger in June 2014

[http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_28685398/gold-king-mine-epa-was-told-danger-blowout](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_28685398/gold-king-mine-epa-was-told-danger-blowout)

Smoke health advisory issued for northeastern Colorado continues

[http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_28689960/smoke-health-advisory-issued-northeastern-colorado-continues](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_28689960/smoke-health-advisory-issued-northeastern-colorado-continues)

Smoke from fires expected to bring more bad air to Colorado on Monday

[http://www.denverpost.com/weathernews/ci\\_28692488/smoke-from-fires-expected-bring-more-bad-air](http://www.denverpost.com/weathernews/ci_28692488/smoke-from-fires-expected-bring-more-bad-air)

Truck loses tire, spills fuel causing delays on I-70 at Quebec

[http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_28692514/truck-loses-tire-spills-fuel-causing-delays](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_28692514/truck-loses-tire-spills-fuel-causing-delays)

Gold King Mine spill is a warning about long-term consequences (letter)

<http://blogs.denverpost.com/eletters/2015/08/23/gold-king-mine-spill-is-a-warning-about-long-term-consequences/38923/>

Responding to the toxic spill in the Animas River (3 letters)

<http://blogs.denverpost.com/eletters/2015/08/22/responding-to-the-toxic-spill-in-the-animas-river-3-letters/38892/>

What risk do Larimer County waters face from mining?

<http://www.coloradoan.com/story/news/2015/08/21/mining-risk-larimer-county/32149801/>

Smoke from wildfires to the West could pose health risk

<http://gazette.com/smoke-from-wildfires-to-the-west-could-pose-health-risk/article/1557941>

**GUEST COLUMN: Colorado should not comply with the EPA's Clean Power Plan**

<http://gazette.com/guest-column-colorado-should-not-comply-with-the-epas-clean-power-plan/article/1557797>

**Oil and gas spill report for Aug. 24**

<http://www.greeleytribune.com/news/17801483-113/oil-and-gas-spill-report-for-aug-24>

**'Leave no trace' becoming an oilfield mantra in Weld County**

<http://www.greeleytribune.com/news/17846240-113/leave-no-trace-becoming-an-oilfield-mantra-in>

**Montana**

**Badger-Two Medicine timetable could short-circuit drilling permits**

[http://missoulian.com/news/local/badger-two-medicine-timetable-could-short-circuit-drilling-permits/article\\_2c42480f-1f4e-508f-99be-c1b634d58d14.html](http://missoulian.com/news/local/badger-two-medicine-timetable-could-short-circuit-drilling-permits/article_2c42480f-1f4e-508f-99be-c1b634d58d14.html)

**Proposed mine exploration draws nearly 6K public comments**

[http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/proposed-mine-exploration-draws-nearly-k-public-comments/article\\_4154f98e-d826-5c5a-b002-7a2076ef3119.html](http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/proposed-mine-exploration-draws-nearly-k-public-comments/article_4154f98e-d826-5c5a-b002-7a2076ef3119.html)

**Public hearing to be held on drilling lease near Glacier**

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/montana/public-hearing-to-be-held-on-drilling-lease-near-glacier/article\\_9a4139b6-8ed9-5b7b-83ed-5344b6b08c38.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/montana/public-hearing-to-be-held-on-drilling-lease-near-glacier/article_9a4139b6-8ed9-5b7b-83ed-5344b6b08c38.html)

**Native Americans' totem pole journeys to oppose coal exports**

[http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/native-americans-totem-pole-journeys-to-oppose-coal-exports/article\\_88cf40aa-ca88-5f46-af55-59c0650150c3.html](http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/native-americans-totem-pole-journeys-to-oppose-coal-exports/article_88cf40aa-ca88-5f46-af55-59c0650150c3.html)

Opinion: Energy policies driving climate and wildfire realities

[http://missoulian.com/news/opinion/columnists/energy-policies-driving-climate-and-wildfire-realities/article\\_3fe7c83c-7321-549f-87eb-a2492d66c087.html](http://missoulian.com/news/opinion/columnists/energy-policies-driving-climate-and-wildfire-realities/article_3fe7c83c-7321-549f-87eb-a2492d66c087.html)

Opinion: MT positioned to benefit from Clean Power Plan

[http://missoulian.com/news/opinion/columnists/mt-positioned-to-benefit-from-clean-power-plan/article\\_de929e37-55b2-5675-a68b-112c19ca8c92.html](http://missoulian.com/news/opinion/columnists/mt-positioned-to-benefit-from-clean-power-plan/article_de929e37-55b2-5675-a68b-112c19ca8c92.html)

Guest opinion: Proposed drilling would mar Montana's Paradise Valley forever

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/quest/quest-opinion-proposed-drilling-would-mar-montana-s-paradise-valley/article\\_92b77d2b-9251-5806-8fcd-b6fad0711f74.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/quest/quest-opinion-proposed-drilling-would-mar-montana-s-paradise-valley/article_92b77d2b-9251-5806-8fcd-b6fad0711f74.html)

Wyoming's long suffering uranium producers see better days in Japanese nuclear revival

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/wyoming/wyoming-s-long-suffering-uranium-producers-see-better-days-in/article\\_10d41f44-e485-561e-a2b7-5a0f458998a9.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/wyoming/wyoming-s-long-suffering-uranium-producers-see-better-days-in/article_10d41f44-e485-561e-a2b7-5a0f458998a9.html)

Letter: Environmentalists should allow professionals to do their work

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/mailbag/environmentalists-should-allow-professionals-to-do-their-work/article\\_16e1be66-f564-5d80-8696-ebc70e476f12.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/mailbag/environmentalists-should-allow-professionals-to-do-their-work/article_16e1be66-f564-5d80-8696-ebc70e476f12.html)

Letter: Wind energy making strides in Montana

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/mailbag/wind-energy-making-strides-in-montana/article\\_f2dd89da-f644-5750-8b60-c81957780047.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/mailbag/wind-energy-making-strides-in-montana/article_f2dd89da-f644-5750-8b60-c81957780047.html)

North Dakota

Supporting Clean Power Plan (letter)

[http://bismarcktribune.com/news/opinion/mailbag/supporting-clean-power-plan/article\\_ad78d797-696b-5279-bb15-840e8c4e679e.html](http://bismarcktribune.com/news/opinion/mailbag/supporting-clean-power-plan/article_ad78d797-696b-5279-bb15-840e8c4e679e.html)

South Dakota

Cleaner waters ahead: City sets lofty goals for Big Sioux River

<http://www.argusleader.com/story/news/2015/08/22/cleaner-waters-ahead-city-sets-lofty-goals/32202061/>

Letter: In event of clean-up, TransCanada responsible

<http://www.argusleader.com/story/opinion/readers/2015/08/23/letter-event-clean-transcanada-responsible/32233557/>

My Voice: Protecting our energy decisions

<http://www.argusleader.com/story/opinion/voices/2015/08/21/voice-protecting-energy-decisions/32148545/>

Utah

Utahns feel effects of wildfire smoke

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/865635112/Utahns-feel-effects-of-wildfire-smoke.html>

Smoke seen, but not from Utah fires

[http://www.parkrecord.com/ci\\_28681810/smoke-seen-but-not-from-utah-fires](http://www.parkrecord.com/ci_28681810/smoke-seen-but-not-from-utah-fires)

Where there's fire, there's smoke - even from out of state - and unhealthy air in Utah

<http://www.sltrib.com/home/2862747-155/wildfire-smoke-from-out-of-state-casts-unhealthy>

EPA aware of 'blowout' risk for toxic water at Gold King Mine

<http://fox13now.com/2015/08/22/epa-aware-of-blowout-risk-for-toxic-water-at-gold-king-mine/>

1st US tar sands mine set to open for business in Utah

<http://www.sltrib.com/home/2864942-155/1st-us-tar-sands-mine-set>

EPA proposes reducing methane leaks from oil and gas production

<https://www.hcn.org/articles/epa-proposes-reducing-methane-leaks-from-oil-and-gas-production>

Smoke Gets In Their Eyes

<http://www.sltrib.com/opinion/2863765-155/bagley-cartoon-smoke-gets-in-their>

E. coli may be headed your way, Utah, and you can thank Wyoming

<http://www.sltrib.com/opinion/2859575-155/op-ed-e-coli-may-be-headed>

Refineries are a small pollution contributors, and we're getting cleaner

<http://www.sltrib.com/opinion/2859579-155/op-ed-refineries-are-small-pollution-contributors>

Wyoming

Lawmaker: Groundwater contamination could jeopardize Belvoir plans

[http://trib.com/news/state-and-regional/lawmaker-groundwater-contamination-could-jeopardize-belvoir-plans/article\\_4e398194-4523-521c-b2fb-bd89c3b57eac.html](http://trib.com/news/state-and-regional/lawmaker-groundwater-contamination-could-jeopardize-belvoir-plans/article_4e398194-4523-521c-b2fb-bd89c3b57eac.html)

Indian Country Today

Navajo Nation Sends Back Oily-Smelling Water Tanks

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/21/navajo-nation-sends-back-oily-smelling-water-tanks-161480>

Navajo Crops Drying Out as San Juan River Remains Closed After Toxic Spill

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/21/navajo-crops-drying-out-san-juan-river-remains-closed-after-toxic-spill-161461>

Fires, Drought, Melting Glaciers: Tribal Climate Experts Hope We Haven't Passed the Tipping Point

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/24/fires-drought-melting-glaciers-tribal-climate-experts-hope-we-havent-passed-tipping-point>

Lummi Chairman: We Will Fight Coal Terminal 'By All Means Necessary'

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/24/lummi-chairman-we-will-fight-coal-terminal-all-means-necessary-161503>

Wildfires Scorch More Than 500 Square Miles on Reservations in Northwest

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/22/wildfires-scorch-more-500-square-miles-reservations-northwest-161490>

New York Times

U.S. Unveils Measures to Encourage Solar Power Use

[http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/25/us/obama-solar-power-renewable-energy.html?ref=earth&\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/25/us/obama-solar-power-renewable-energy.html?ref=earth&_r=0)

Study Finds Surprising Byproduct of Middle Eastern Conflicts: Cleaner Air

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/22/science/as-war-sows-chaos-on-ground-it-can-lead-to-cleaner-air-study-says.html?ref=earth>

White House Aims to Boost Homeowner Renewable Energy Use

<http://www.nytimes.com/reuters/2015/08/24/business/24reuters-usa-energy-obama.html>

Microbeads, the Tiny Orbs Threatening Our Water

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/22/opinion/microbeads-the-tiny-orbs-threatening-our-water.html?partner=rssnyt&emc=rss>

